

Application No.: 08/598,457

Docket No.: 00-VE13.25 CPA1

REMARKS

The allowance of claims 2-4 and 8 - 14 is acknowledged and appreciated. A minor amendment is made to claim 8 to insert a missing comma.


In response to the indication that the subject matter of claim 5 is allowable, base claim 1 is amended to incorporate the limitation of claim 5 together with those of intervening claim 6. The subject matter having been incorporated into claim 1, claim 6 is cancelled. Claim 7 is amended to depend from amended claim 1 and is now further amended to delete redundant recitations of subject matter in view of the revised language of claim 1. Claims 15 and 16 are amended to depend from the allowable subject matter of claim 1. Finally, to advance prosecution, rejected claims 6 and 17 - 25 are cancelled with prejudice or disclaimer, Applicants specifically reserving the right to include subject matter corresponding to the cancelled and any other claims supported by the present disclosure in a continuing application.

In view of the above amendments to the claims and remarks, Applicants believe the pending application is now in condition for allowance. As the instant amendments cancel claims and otherwise comply with requirements of form set forth in the outstanding Office Action, entry thereof and favorable reconsideration of the Application are respectfully requested.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 07-2347, from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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Respectfully submitted,

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